

Message Text

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 01 DJIBOU 00367 181154Z

ACTION AF-10

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 CIAE-00 DODE-00 NSAE-00 NSCE-00

SSO-00 USIE-00 INRE-00 PM-05 H-01 INR-10 L-03

PA-01 SP-02 SS-15 DOTE-00 EB-08 OMB-01 /057 W

-----041888 181200Z /10

O P 151145Z MAR 78

FM AMEMBASSY DJIBOUTI

TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 760

INFORUTABA/AMEMBASSY ADDIS ABABA PRIORITY 385

AMEMBASSY MOGADISCIO PRIORITY

AMEMBASSY NAIROBI PRIORITY

C O N F I D E N T I A L DJIBOUTI 367

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PBOR, PDIP, EAIR, ELTN, ET, SO, DJ, KE

SUBJ: SOMALI RESPECT FOR DJIBOUTI BOUNDARIES

REF: (A) ADDIS ABABA 1180 (B) DJIBOUTI 175 (C) DJIBOUTI 250

1. MATTER OF ABSENCE MENTION OF DJIBOUTI IN PRESIDENT'S STATEMENT IS LIVELY DISCUSSION MATERIAL IN DJIBOUTI. IN ABSENCE FROM COUNTRY (UNTIL 22 MARCH) OF PRESIDENT, PRIME MINISTER (WHO IS ALSO FOREIGN MINISTER) AND SEVERAL OTHER MEMBERS OF THE GOVERNMENT, THERE HAVE BEEN NO OFFICIAL INQUIREIS. HOWEVER, CHARGE HAS HAD REQUESTS ABOUT MATTER FROM DIPLOMATIC COLLEAGUES AND FROM LOCAL BUSINESS COMMUNITY.

2. CLEARLY SOME KIND OF STATEMENT IS NEEDED TO INDICATE TO SOMALIS OUR INCLUSION DJIBOUTI IN OVERALL HORN SETTLEMENT PROCESS. ALTHOUGH IT MAY NOT BE POSSIBLE TO DISPELL IDEA THAT SUPPORTIVE STATEMENT IS AFTERTHOUGHT, THERE IS INTEREST IN FRAMING A GENERALIZED STATEMENT TO INCLUDE INTEREST OF ALL COUNTRIES IN SAFEGUARDING INTERNATIONAL COMMUNICATIONS CHANNELS, INCLUDING DJIBOUTI-ADDIS ABABA RAILWAY (SEE REF C), SAFE PASSAGE THROUGH THE BAB-EL-MANDEB, STRAITS OF GULF OF ADEN AND ASSOCIATED
CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 02 DJIBOU 00367 181154Z

NATIONAL AIR SPACE AND INTERNATIONAL AIR ROUTES, ALL OF WHICH HAVE BEEN AFFECTED IN ONE WAY OR ANOTHER BY THE CONFLICT IN THE HORN. STATEMENT COULD INCLUDE REITERATION OF PROTECTION ETHIOPIAN AND SOMALI FRONTIERS, AS WELL AS DJIBOUTI, AND WOULD INCLUDE POINTS FAVORABLE TO ALL SIDES, PARTICULARLY OURS. THE ETHIOPIANS WOULD APPRECIATE POSITIVE COMMENTS ON THE RAILWAY. THE SOMALIS ARE QUITE CONCERNED ABOUT INTERNATIONAL AIR ROUTES

FROM THE NORTH WHICH REQUIRE FLIGHT CLEARANCES THROUGH ADDIS
ABAZA REGIONAL AIR FLIGHT CONTROL CENTER (SEE REF B). THE SOUTH
YEMENI COULD USE A REMINDER OR TWO ABOUT THE BAB EL MANDEB,
WHICH THEY ARE APPARENTLY ARMING THROUGH MILITARY INSTALLATIONS
ON PERIM ISLAND. THE SOVIETS COULD SAY NOTHING ABOUT SUCH AN
INITIATIVE, DESPITE FACT THAT THEY HAVE BEEN DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY
INVOLVED IN MOST OF THE ABOVE ABUSES.

3. PLEASE ADVISE.
CLARKE

CONFIDENTIAL

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01 jan 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: DISPUTE SETTLEMENT, SOVEREIGNTY, BOUNDARIES, NEWS MEDIA COMMENTS
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 15 mar 1978
Decaption Date: 01 jan 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 20 Mar 2014
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1978DJIBOU00367
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: GS
Errors: N/A
Expiration:
Film Number: D780120-0911
Format: TEL
From: DJIBOUTI
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1978/newtext/t19780367/aaaaceot.tel
Line Count: 72
Litigation Code IDs:
Litigation Codes:
Litigation History:
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Message ID: 215bcec6-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Office: ACTION AF
Original Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: 78 ADDIS ABABA 1180, 78 DJIBOUTI 175, 78 DJIBOUTI 250
Retention: 0
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 26 apr 2005
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review Media Identifier:
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
SAS ID: 3328111
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: SOMALI RESPECT FOR DJIBOUTI BOUNDARIES
TAGS: PBOR, PDIP, EAIR, ELTN, ET, SO, DJ, KE
To: STATE
Type: TE
vdkgvkey: odb://SAS/SAS.dbo.SAS_Docs/215bcec6-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Review Markings:
Sheryl P. Walter
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
20 Mar 2014
Markings: Sheryl P. Walter Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 20 Mar 2014